

2017 Event Schedule

Crane Meadows National Wildlife Refuge

**Most of our tours and activities are family-oriented and FREE! Pre-registration is requested.
Contact the refuge for details.**

Candlelight Ski

Saturday, February 11, 5:30pm

Join us to ski under a (nearly) full moon! Participants can ski a one mile trail loop, which will begin and end at the Refuge Maintenance Shop. The trail will be candlelit and groomed. Participants must furnish their own skis. The Friends of Crane Meadows will also have snowshoes available for free to checkout during the event, so people can also hike alongside the ski trails. At the Refuge Maintenance Shop, there will be a bon fire, free refreshments, and a warm area to socialize. Please dress for the weather.

Habitat Day

Saturday, March 11, 9am-1pm

Our annual Habitat Day features family fun and your chance to help wood ducks and bluebirds. You're invited to learn more about these bird species and assemble a wood duck or bluebird box to take home. Bringing your own hammer or cordless drill would be helpful, but not necessary. Event is held at the Refuge Maintenance Shop. Dress for the weather.

Food available for a small fee.

Note: If the event is cancelled due to weather, the announcement will be made over local radio stations.

Bird Walk

Saturday, May 6, 8am-10am

Join us for a bird walk along the Platte River Trail during the spring migration. Meet at the Refuge Headquarters. Bring your walking shoes and binoculars.

Backyard Bird Feeder

Saturday, December 9, 9am-12pm

MN winters can be long and cold! Bird feeders attract life to our frozen backyards, and can help carry resident birds through the winter months. Learn about different feeder styles, placement, seed selection, how to maintain your feeding stations, and how to keep the birds healthy. Held at the Refuge Maintenance Shop.

Refuge Headquarters and Shop area are located at 19502 Iris Rd, Royalton, MN 56373, five miles East of Hwy 10. For more information call Refuge Headquarters at 320-632-1757 or email cranemeadows@fws.gov. Events may be cancelled or postponed due to inclement weather or lack of snow. Cancellations will be announced over local radio stations. Events are sponsored by Friends of Crane Meadows National Wildlife Refuge, www.friendsofcranemeadows.com. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is committed to providing access to these events for all participants. Please direct all requests for special accommodation to the Refuge Headquarters: 320-632-1575, cranemeadows@fws.gov, or TTY 800-877-8339 at least one week prior to the event.

